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**Pamela Martinez**

7348 Jorgensen Ave S , Saint Paul, Minnesota 55016

October 31, 2005 06:06 PM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

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Thank you.

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

  
Pamela Martinez

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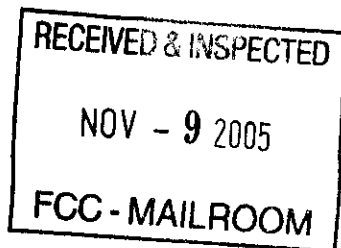
Senator Mark Dayton  
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**Nancy Frede**

657 Oak Lane , Grand Marsh, Wisconsin 53936

Senator Herb Kohl  
U.S. Senate  
330 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001



November 02, 2005 01:03 PM

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**Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45**

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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November 02, 2005 01:03 PM

Representative Tom Petri  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2462 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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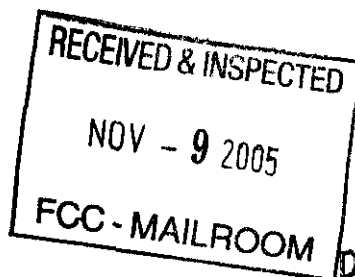
*Nancy Frede*

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Senator Russell Feingold  
U.S. Senate  
506 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001



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**Marston Birky**

P. O. Box 245 , Wakarusa, Indiana 46573-0245

November 2, 2005

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445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

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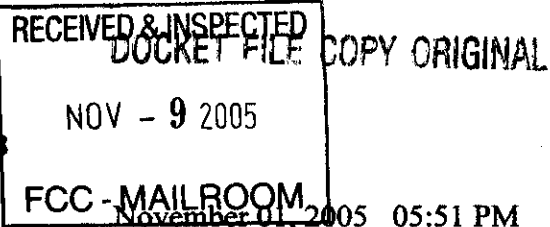
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Senator Richard Lugar  
Representative Mark Souder  
Senator Evan Bayh

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**Ken Filene**

720 calle casita , san clemente, California 92673-2728



Representative Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2201 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Eileen Huggins**

113 Panama St. , Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27909

November 01, 2005 06:58 PM

Representative G. Butterfield  
U.S. House of Representatives  
413 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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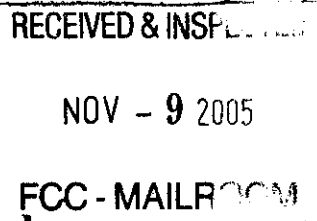
Sincerely,

*Eileen Huggins*  
Eileen Huggins

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress ✓

The Federal Communications Commission ~~not~~





**sandra westmoreland**

670 crooked run road , elizabeth city, North Carolina 27909

November 01, 2005 12:03 PM

Representative G. Butterfield  
U.S. House of Representatives  
413 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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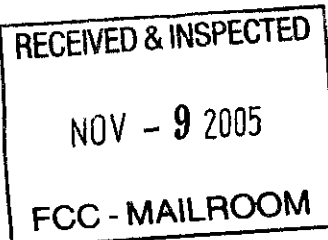
cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

sandra westmoreland

cc:

The Federal Communications Commission not



**Sally Hogan**

201 Willowbrook Dr. , Kingston, Tennessee 37763-8300

November 01, 2005 12:38 PM

Senator Lamar Alexander  
U.S. Senate  
302 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Alexander:

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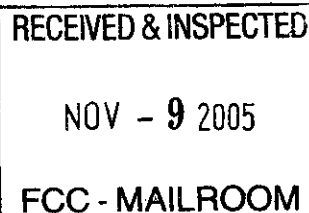
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Sincerely,

  
Sally Hogan

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

**Nancy McFall**  
4104 Legion Dr.  
Covington, Georgia 30014



November 02, 2005 04:54 AM

FCC  
Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
445 12th St., SW  
Washington, DC 20554

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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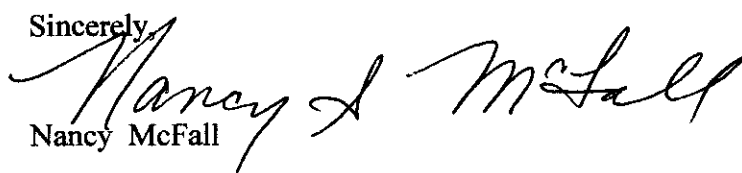
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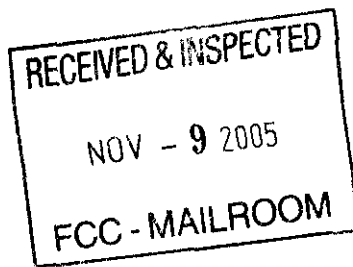
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Debra Cramer

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16616 Holder Road, Shirleysburg, Pennsylvania 17260-9603

November 01, 2005

FCC Chairman, Kevin J Martin,  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Washington, DC, 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Specter:

12:12 P.M.

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Terry Kelly**

8386 N.3 Lane , Gladstone, Michigan 49837

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November 03, 2005 09:14 AM

Senator Debbie Stabenow  
U.S. Senate  
133 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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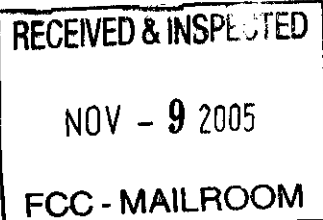
Sincerely,

*Terry L. Kelly*

Ms. Terry L. Kelly

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

*Also sent to: Senator Carl Levin and  
Representative Bart Stupak*



**Darlene Schlemmer**

506 Harvey St , Kent, Ohio 44240

November 01, 2005 06:24 PM

Representative Tim Ryan  
U.S. House of Representatives  
222 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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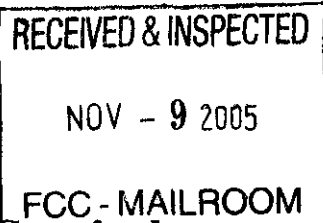
Sincerely,

Darlene Schlemmer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darlene Schlemmer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name "Darlene Schlemmer".

cc:

The Federal Communications Commission not



**Barbara Cunningham**

1550 Old Town Way , Hendersonville, North Carolina 28739-7704

November 01, 2005 04:57 PM

Senator Elizabeth Dole  
U.S. Senate  
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Dole:

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Sincerely,

✓ cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Marissa Reilly**

3357 Old Pond Rd. , Johns Island, South Carolina 29455

November 01, 2005 12:29 PM

Senator Jim Demint  
U. S. Senate  
340 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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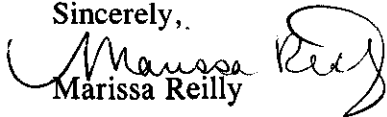
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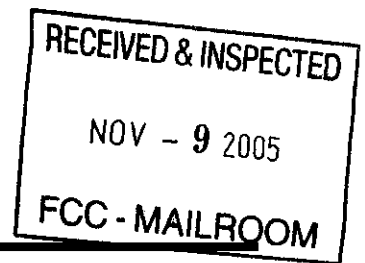
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Sincerely,

  
Marissa Reilly

cc:

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**Ann Loretan**

11 Bellevue Ave, Ossining, New York 10562-4309

November 01, 2005 11:19 AM

Senator Hillary Clinton  
U.S. Senate  
476 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Clinton:

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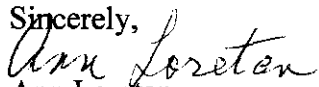


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Sincerely,

✓cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

  
Ann Loretan

cc:

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## Douglas Pippin

154 Mountain Laurel Lane  
Fletcher, NC 28732-5707

Senator Richard Burr  
U.S. Senate  
217 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: **Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45**

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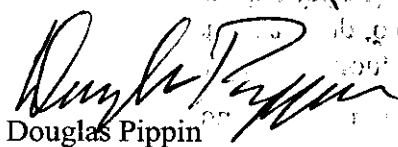
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Sincerely,



Douglas Pippin

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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**Carol Brandert**

746 Manchester Road , Salina, Kansas 67401-5210

Representative Jerry Moran  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2443 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Larry DeLong**

Box 142, Avilla, Indiana 46710

November 01, 2005 06:05 PM

Senator Evan Bayh  
U.S. Senate  
463 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC-Docket 96-45

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Dear Senator Bayh:

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**Ernestine F. Manzo**

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303 Henry Street, Fairview, New Jersey 07022

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Senator Frank Lautenberg  
U.S. Senate  
324 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

*also sent to  
Senator Jon Corzine  
Rep Steve Rothman*

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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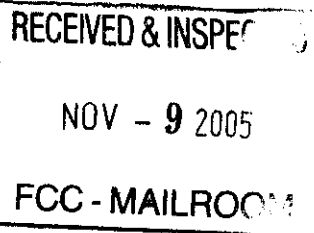
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cc: *Kevin J. Martin  
FCC Chairman*



**Stella McDonald**

5408 N. Walnut , Spokane, Washington 99205

November 02, 2005 12:13 PM

Representative Cathy McMorris  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1708 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative McMorris:

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Stella McDonald

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Chairman Kevin J. Martin

When is it that you are  
going to consider the needs  
"of the people", instead of what  
is good for the Republican Party.

Stella McDonald

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**Nicole Albert**

102 Escobar Ct., Los Gatos, California 95032

November 01, 2005 10:53 PM

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Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW  
Washington, DC, 20554

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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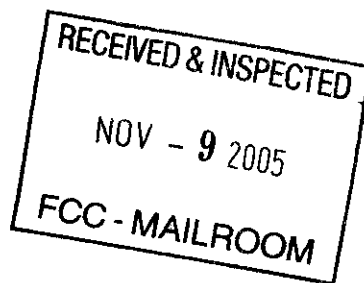
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nicole Albert", enclosed within a large, horizontal oval loop.

Nicole Albert

**Curtis D Conley**

10052A Grove Ct , Westminster, Colorado 80031

Senator Wayne Allard  
U.S. Senate  
521 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001



November 01, 2005 03:28 PM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, ~~Congress~~

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**John Rattazzo**

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Scottsdale, Az. 85257

November 2, 2005

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FCC Chairman Kevin Martin  
The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Mr. Martin:

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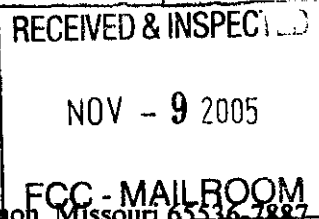
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Senator John McCain  
Senator Jon Kyl  
Representative J.D. Hayworth

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**Phyllisha King**

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October 31, 2005 05:41 PM

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

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Senator Christopher Bond  
Senator Jim Talent  
Representative Ike Skelton

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